

Science

In Science, we will focus on Light and Seeing. We will recognise that light appears to travel in straight lines. Understand the idea that light travels in straight lines and explain that objects are seen because they give out or reflect light into the eye. Explain that we see things because light travels from light sources to our eyes or from light sources to objects and then to our eyes. Identify that light travels in straight lines and use this to explain why shadows have the same shape as the objects that cast them.



PE

P.E. will take place on a **Tuesday and Friday**. As this subject is an essential part of our curriculum, please ensure your child has their PE kit in school on these days. Our topics this term are gymnastics and netball. Children will also have coaching sessions on lunchtime with a coach from the Foundation of Light.



Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Primary School



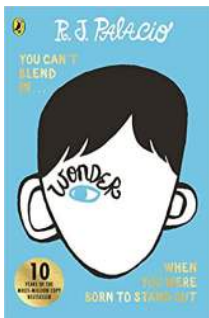
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Class 6

Newsletter Spring Term 2023

Dear Parents / Carers,

Welcome back! I hope you have had a lovely Christmas break with your families. It has been lovely to see the children settle quickly back to their daily routines and they have all began the new term working very hard. The information below outlines all of the topics that we will be covering in the Spring term.



English

Our class text for this term is Wonder. Our reading and writing activities will link to this book and will include character and setting descriptions, diary writing, letter writing and performing poetry. We are very excited to read this book! At the end of the term we will then watch the film, and we will evaluate and make comparisons between the book and the film.



Maths

In maths our first topic of the term will be measurement, before moving on to exploring the following: ratio, algebra, decimals, fractions, decimals and percentages, area, perimeter and volume and finally finishing the spring term in maths exploring statistics. Each topic will allow us to further develop and apply our reasoning and problem solving skills to a range of questions. We will also begin our 1:1 tutor sessions with Third Space Learning. What a fantastic opportunity this is for us to focus on our maths skills.

Art

In art and design we will be exploring sculpture: human form. Using a range of materials, we will look at the work of figurative artists and explore how the human form has been represented through sculptural pieces. Next we will explore the works of artists, craftspeople and will compare and contrast different artworks. We will develop an appreciation of the different ways in which the human form can be represented. Developing initial ideas by sketching, through the use of photography and through experimenting with shape and form using mixed media. We will produce a final piece which will be inspired by the work of an artist we have studied and finally we will then evaluate our work.



Geography

Our Geography topic this term is North America. We will have an overview of the different features of the USA including both physical and human landscapes, as well as the interactions between them, such as food and farming. We will be able to describe patterns of population distribution and density in the USA. To end the unit we will look at the settlement of New York, exploring how the city has changed overtime.



Religious Education

In RE the topics we will cover are: sources, unity, death and new life.

Important dates this term



THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD **2 February**
ASH WEDNESDAY **22 February**
ST JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY **20 March**
THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD **25 March**
PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD **2 April**
MAUNDY THURSDAY **6 April**
GOOD FRIDAY **7 April**
EASTER SUNDAY **9 April**

This term marks the beginning of Lent. Lent is a season of reflection and preparation before the celebrations of Easter. By observing the 40 days of Lent, we replicate Jesus Christ's sacrifice and withdrawal into the desert for 40 days. It is a time to refocus on Jesus as we look ahead to his death on the Cross at Easter and rejoice over his miraculous return. It is a time for reflecting on what we could do differently or maybe what we could do more of or less of during this time. During this time, the children will be making their Lenten promises, linked to one of the Beatitudes which are eight blessings recounted by Jesus in the Sermon on the Mount in the Gospel of Matthew. Please ask your child to share with you what their Lenten promise is and which Beatitude they have chosen to live out during Lent.

Please do not hesitate to speak to me at the start or end of the school day if you have any queries or concerns.

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Please continue to check our Facebook page to see all of the hard work and exciting opportunities taking place in Class 6.

Many thanks
Miss Croxford